



STARFLEET STRATEGIC RESPONSE FLEET

Fleet Specifications Policy

Purpose

The following policy has been designed to give clear guidelines on the use of all Specifications within SSRF. This is inclusive of; Fleet Technology and Research, SIMM Logos and Banners, SIMM Classes, SIMM Technical Specifications and Deck Layouts, SIMM Operational Statuses, SIMMs, their Names and their Registry Numbers.

The following sets out the parameters on the utilisation of the above and procedures in place for changing any of the above that are relevant to your character and/or SIMM. In the majority of all cases involving specifications or the likes they are covered by some form of copyright and it is therefore illegal to replicate this data without prior consent of the owner.

General Guideline

Before using a new specification within the Fleet, whether it is an image or piece of technology or other form, please be sure you have received the correct authorisation in email from your direct superior officer or alternative as depicted below. If they are unsure then they will forward the request on up through the Chain of Command as necessary.

Fleet Technology and Research

The primary tool for new technology and specifications within the Fleet is the Research and Development Department. If you feel you have a new piece of technology or specification you feel the organisation will benefit from using please do submit this to the Department's Director as soon as possible.

Our Fleet does not have a wikidatabase. However, where possible, there will be documents detailing certain specification details held within the 'Research and Development' section of the homepage for all members to view.

Pieces of technology that are more common-place within Star Trek, for example a Phaser, will not have a database entry as it is expected the 'need to know' provisions of these will be easily obtained by the member populous. With that being said if it is felt that the organisation could do with a copy of their own then please contact a Senior member of the Fleet.

No major piece of technology may be used within the Fleet without prior consent through the appropriate Chain of Command.

SIMM Logos and Banners

No SIMM within the Fleet is permitted to use logos or banners other than those issued from Fleet Command. This is in place to keep a uniformed look across all pages within the Fleet when it comes to graphics.

Should you wish to design Signature Images; this is however permitted. But again you must only use the logos on these signature as provided.

If you wish to submit a design for review of a new logo for your SIMM this must be emailed directly to one of the Joint Fleet Commanders for review before being used.

Websites and Forums are monitored on an on-going basis by Taskforce Commanding Officers and will reviewed where necessary should an image be found that is not one provided.



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SIMM Classes

Each SIMM within the Fleet is to be only one of the permitted classes authorised by the Senior Command. A list of these can be found within the Specifications page of the Research and Development Department. Those SIMMs that merge into the Fleet are exempt from this ruling as specifications for new in-bound classes will be sourced to meet their needs and the class will automatically become a Fleet authorised spec.

Similarly, each current member of the Fleet is more than welcome to submit designs and specifications for new classes of SIMMs. These can be anything from starships, to support craft or even colonies.

When submitting requests for new Classes; please also provide technical read-outs for review in order for Command to create the Specifications and Deck Layouts for these potential new classes.

With similar ruling, no SIMM may change their class without prior consent through the appropriate channels. Commanding Officers can contact their direct superiors for the Macro-Enabled Excel Form to submit to do this, or it can be downloaded from our website within the Resource Intranet, file code RF002.

SIMM Technical Specifications and Deck Layouts

As above with SIMM Classes, the same stipulations apply to their Technical Specifications and Deck Layouts – only those listed on the Fleet website may be used. Once again, SIMMs merging into the Fleet will have correct specifications sourced/created for their needs and will again be listed as Fleet-authorised for others to utilise within the organisation.

Unlike with the SIMM Classes the Specifications already listed CANNOT be changed if a request is put in to do so, and only these specifications may be used by our Fleet SIMMs. Be that as it may though; Specifications and Deck Layouts are reviewed and audited on an annual basis and changes may incur should the need arise for the Fleet.

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SIMM Operational Statuses

Please refer to the tables below stating stipulations regarding SIMM Operational Statuses.

<i>Not Operational</i>		
Explanation of Status	To Increase in Status	To Decrease in Status
When a SIMM is listed as <i>Not Operational</i> it is not open for Commanding, nor is the SIMM open to take on new crew. In most cases this will be due to being reserved for a classified reason.	Authorisation can only come from one of the Joint Fleet Commanding Officers	N/A – lowest status

<i>Awaiting CO</i>		
Explanation of Status	To Increase to <i>Drydocked</i>	Decreasing to <i>Not Operational</i>
<p>When a SIMM is listed as <i>Awaiting CO</i> any member of the Fleet or visitor to the Fleet may apply to command the SIMM.</p> <p>New members to the Fleet will be ranked Lieutenant Commander and must undergo Command Training upon successful appointment to the SIMM's CO position.</p> <p>Current Fleet SIMM XO's ranked Commander or higher will not be required to undergo Command School. Any lower ranking members will, however.</p>	SIMM must have a Commanding Officer.	Joint Fleet Commanding Officer decision.

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Drydocked		
Explanation of Status	To Increase to <i>Restricted Operations</i>	Decreasing to <i>Awaiting CO</i>
SIMMs listed as <i>Drydocked</i> are docked with Starbase Thrinacia (Fleet Base of Operations) for Character Building missions <u>only</u> . This may be due to lack of crew/activity, or CO undergoing training.	EITHER a) SIMM CO undergoing Command School is given permission by the Training and Personnel Developments Director AND their Taskforce Commanding Officer OR b) New SIMM CO ranked Commander or higher who is not undergoing Command School has 2-5 (including CO) Active Crew	The SIMM CO leaves the Fleet or is removed from Command and the SIMM remains.
	To Increase to <i>Operational</i>	
	EITHER a) New CO ranked Commander or higher begins the SIMM with 5+ Active Crew, AND agreement from respective superior officer OR b) CO graduates Command School with 5+ Active Crew, AND agreement from respective superior officer	

Restricted Operations		
Explanation of Status	To Increase to <i>Operational</i>	To Decrease to <i>Drydocked</i>
SIMMs listed as <i>Restricted Operations</i> are permitted to only undergo small missions, such as a Shakedown Cruise or Routine Patrol. Larger missions are not permitted	BOTH CONDITIONS a) SIMM CO graduates Command Training but must have 5+ (including CO) Active Crew Count, AND agreement from respective superior officer b) Active Crew Count increases over the minimum 5, AND agreement from respective superior officer	EITHER a) CO request - they believe their SIMM needs support OR b) TFCO (or Chief of Fleet Operations in respect of a TFCO SIMM) decreases status as they believe SIMM needs support. Decision can be appealed through superior.



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Operational		
Explanation of Status	To Increase in Status	To Decrease to <i>Restricted Operations</i>
SIMMs listed as <i>Operational</i> are permitted to undergo full missions	N/A – highest status	EITHER c) CO request - they believe their SIMM needs support OR d) TFCO (or Chief of Fleet Operations in respect of a TFCO SIMM) decreases status as they believe SIMM needs support. Decision can be appealed through superior.
		To Decrease to <i>Drydocked</i>
		SIMM Active Crew Count falls below 5, including CO
<p>NOTE: If the CO leaves the Fleet or goes AWOL the SIMM will automatically decrease from <i>Operational</i> to <i>Restricted Operations</i>. The XO takes on temporary command until a new CO is put in place.</p>		

SIMMs, their Names and their Registry Numbers

Section 1 – Changes to Names and/or Registry Numbers

SIMM Names and Registry Numbers are given to vacant SIMMs within the Fleet and a wide variety of these will always be on offer for potential new Commanding Officers to apply for. These names are registered on a central database and tracker in order to keep an accurate account of numbers within the Fleet.

As with all specifications mentioned previously these are not able to be changed unless proper authorisation is obtained, the main reason in the case of names and numbers being for admin purposes. If a CO wishes to change the Name and/or Registry Number of their SIMM they should submit the SIMM Name Change Request Form (ref. RF003) through the appropriate channels. Decisions will be based on these requests alone.

No member of the Fleet is permitted to change a name or registry number already assigned without the correct authorisation and proof of these changes must be kept.

Section 2 – Damage to a Fleet SIMM

Similarly; no member may damage or otherwise harm a Fleet SIMM without prior approval through the correct channels unless it is in conjunction with the current mission, and said SIMM must return to their normal state at the conclusion of such a mission.

Section 3 – Destruction of a Fleet SIMM

Destruction of a Fleet SIMM is not permitted unless direct authorisation, via email, is obtained from BOTH Joint Fleet Commanding Officers.



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Authorisation of any new Fleet Specification

Any member of the Fleet may request to have new specifications integrated into the Fleet. Depending on the category of the specification will depend on whom you approach for authorisation to use it.

If it is a general piece of technology, such as a basic Mark-I Shield system, Phaser, or common piece of equipment ALREADY established within Star Trek, then no authorisation is required. If you are unsure, please ask your direct superior. They will escalate the query if required.

New Starship Designs, Deck Layouts, specifications or changes to specifications must go through the Research and Development department. Anything you feel should be added to a current spec, changed in a current spec, or if you would like to submit a new design, please liaise with the RnD Director who will review this and speak with Senior Fleet Officers where required. Current specifications CANNOT be changed without consent via email.

New Logos or images, should be sent through to the Senior Fleet Command Team for review.

If you are unsure, please email one of the Joint Fleet Commanding Officers directly and they will forward on as needed.

SIMM Crewmember Positions on Rosters

As of the last review date of this Policy, the below applies:

- Diplomatic Corps Departments are not used within the SSRF and reference to these departments and positions should be removed from Rosters. This is in effect as it was felt that all members of Starfleet and the Federation are Diplomats for the UFP. Foremost, the Command staff of SIMMs all act as Ambassadors whilst on missions.
- Second Officers are not used within the Fleet. Our Commanding Officers are more than capable to assign a member of their team to command the SIMM when both the CO and XO are no longer able, such as away missions or due to incapacity.